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v.	Reasoned statement under Article 3 citations and explanations supporting	5(2) with regard to nove ng such statement	elty, inventive step or industrial appl	icability;
1.	Statement			
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-26	YES
		Claims		NO
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-26	YES
		Claims		NO
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-26	YES
		Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations

Reference is made to the following document:

D1: US-A-5 506 324.

- 1.0 Document D1 is considered to be the closest prior art for the subject matter of the current claims.
- 2.0 The subject matter of the current claims is novel and inventive (PCT Article 33(2) and (3)). Neither the compounds nor the methods as defined in the current claims are disclosed or suggested by the cited documents.